

# Caseloads of the Courts of Washington

## Court Activity, All Divisions, Personal Restraint Petitions - 2009 to 2013

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	2009	2010	% Chg (9)	2011	% Chg (9)	2012	% Chg (9)	2013	% Chg (9)
FILINGS									
Total Filings	1,058	980	-7.4 %	890	-9.2 %	834	-6.3 %	825	-1.1 %
RESOLUTIONS (1) (10)									
Opinions Published	12	8	. %	5	. %	5	. %	3	. %
Opinions Unpublished	34	18	. %	10	. %	19	. %	21	. %
Opinions	46	26	. %	15	. %	24	. %	24	. %
Dismissed	769	722	-6.1 %	599	-17 %	776	29.5 %	713	-8.1 %
Transferred/Certified (2)	12	7	. %	9	. %	3	. %	14	. %
Review Not Accepted	20	7	. %	1	. %	3	. %	0	. %
Other Terminations	38	44	15.8 %	32	-27.3 %	48	50 %	33	-31.3 %
Orders	839	780	-7 %	641	-17.8 %	830	29.5 %	760	-8.4 %
Decided on Merits	1	1	. %	0	. %	0	. %	0	. %
Dismissed	97	50	-48.5 %	47	-6 %	87	85.1 %	71	-18.4 %
Transferred/Certified (2)	0	0	. %	1	. %	0	. %	0	. %
Review Not Accepted	1	2	. %	6	. %	1	. %	0	. %
Other Terminations	1	2	. %	1	. %	0	. %	5	. %
Rulings	100	55	-45 %	55	0 %	88	60 %	76	-13.6 %
Other Decisions Term. Review (3)	0	0	. %	0	. %	0	. %	0	. %
Total Orders/Rulings/Other (4)	939	835	-11.1 %	696	-16.6 %	918	31.9 %	836	-8.9 %
Total Resolved	985	861	-12.6 %	711	-17.4 %	942	32.5 %	860	-8.7 %

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PENDING AT YEAR END (5)									
Cases Stayed	67	114	70.1 %	121	6.1 %	82	-32.2 %	43	-47.6 %
Brief Not Filed	260	292	12.3 %	341	16.8 %	270	-20.8 %	273	1.1 %
Appellant Brief Filed	17	23	. %	17	. %	30	. %	19	. %
Respondent Brief Filed	136	109	-19.9 %	143	31.2 %	125	-12.6 %	82	-34.4 %
Remanded to Trial Court	1	0	. %	1	. %	1	. %	0	. %
Set for Commissioners' Calendar	4	4	. %	0	. %	0	. %	3	. %
Ruling Referred to Panel (6)	0	2	. %	1	. %	2	. %	3	. %
Set for Oral Argument (7)	8	3	. %	5	. %	3	. %	6	. %
Total Awaiting Hearing	493	547	11 %	629	15 %	513	-18.4 %	429	-16.4 %
Opinion/Order in Process	7	9	. %	6	. %	6	. %	9	. %
Total Pending Decision	500	556	11.2 %	635	14.2 %	519	-18.3 %	438	-15.6 %
MANDATED (1) (8)									
Opinion Terminating Review	58	45	-22.4 %	34	-24.4 %	29	. %	37	. %
Order Terminating Review	913	777	-14.9 %	699	-10 %	792	13.3 %	722	-8.8 %
Ruling Terminating Review	110	69	-37.3 %	62	-10.1 %	91	46.8 %	77	-15.4 %
Other Decision Terminating Review	15	13	. %	2	. %	2	. %	4	. %
Total Orders/Rulings/Other (4)	1,038	859	-17.2 %	763	-11.2 %	885	16 %	803	-9.3 %
Total Mandated	1,096	904	-17.5 %	797	-11.8 %	914	14.7 %	840	-8.1 %

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